

## A \$50,000,000 GIFT

ROCKEFELLER PLANS FUND FOR UPLIFTING OF CHINESE.

### IT WILL BE HIS CROWNING WORK

To Establish Institutes to Teach Western Civilization to Entire Chinese Population.

Washington, March 16.—John D. Rockefeller is planning to establish a fund of \$50,000,000 to lift the Chinese in their own country to the plane of civilization of the American people. Knowledge that Mr. Rockefeller intends to give this enormous sum to turn the Orientals into the paths of Western civilization has been made public by men who have been consulted by the intending donor as to the best methods to be employed to make the money useful in the highest degree.

This is what Mr. Rockefeller meant when, immediately following his magnificent gift of \$32,000,000 to the cause of general education, he said that he hoped before long to have something to announce which might be of still greater interest to the public. This is to be his crowning effort in behalf of the world. The sum which the Standard Oil chieftain will give for the benefit of the Orientals is the largest sum ever given singly for the carrying out of a philanthropic purpose. The effect of the gift, it is Mr. Rockefeller's hope will be to give light to a nation that has sat in semi-darkness. If the purpose of the giver is realized, fully a new and an enlightened power will be added to the world's nations.

### BURTON'S RELEASE ARRANGED.

Former Senator Leaves Jail at Ironton, Mo., March 22.

Ablene, Kas., March 16.—A message received from Ironton, Mo., where he is in jail, says that former Senator Joseph R. Burton was officially notified that he will be released on March 22. He will, he wires, be in Ablene on the day following.

It was stated that Mr. Burton would be held in jail an additional month in view of the fact that his fine of \$2,500 had not been paid.

### Root Pleased with Frisco's Action.

San Francisco, March 16.—President Walsh, of the board of education, received a message from Secretary Root, saying: "I thank you for your telegram and am gratified to learn of the passage of the new resolutions by the board of education. The president has signed an executive order under the immigration act of Feb. 20, 1907, finding that the indirect immigration of Japanese laborers via Hawaii, Mexico and Canada is detrimental to labor conditions in the United States and refusing entrance to such laborers."

### Congressmen Leave Colon.

Colon, March 18.—The members of the United States congress who came here on board the steamer Panama to inspect the work on the canal sailed at noon Sunday. They will stop at Kingston, Jamaica, and Port au Prince before returning to the United States. The steamer Blucher, with Speaker Cannon and his party, is expected to arrive here March 25.

### Miners Get Raise.

Blasbee, Ariz., March 18.—The mining companies operating in this district have posted notices of a new wage scale, raising the wages of miners from \$3.75 to \$4 per day and adding 25c to every man connected with the operation of the mines who has heretofore been receiving as much as \$3.50 per day. The increase also extends to the men in the smelters at Douglas.

### Ohio River Receding.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 18.—The Ohio river is rapidly receding. The losses from fires following the flood aggregate nearly \$3,000,000, while the flood damage amounts to \$3,000,000. There is much suffering, and relief headquarters were opened at the Y. M. C. A. and food and clothing were distributed to several hundred people.

### Iena Victims Identified.

Toulon, France, March 16.—Only 58 bodies have been identified of the 107 found in or about the hulk of the battleship Iena, the after part of which was destroyed by an explosion of her magazine March 12. All the dead have been posthumously promoted so that the widows and other relatives will reap the benefit of higher pensions.

### Japanese Laborers for Iowa.

Kansas City, Mo., March 18.—A party of 300 Japanese laborers arrived in Kansas City Sunday morning. They traveled on a special train from San Antonio, Tex. At Kansas City they were transferred to a Burlington train for Sioux City, Ia. They will work on railroad construction in Iowa.

### Embezzler Shoots Self.

Washington, March 16.—Rather than face prosecution for the embezzlement of \$2,000 from the brokerage firm of Wade & Hodges, of which he was manager, Charles Abbott, 20 years old, committed suicide by shooting.

### Wasp Will Go to Evansville.

Washington, March 16.—Senator Hemingway has secured the ordering of the gunboat Wasp to proceed up the Ohio as far as Evansville, Ind.

Interstate commerce commissioners, on account of the volume of business, will confine all their hearings to Washington and special agents will take testimony in other cities.

## 37-FOOT STAGE FOR MEMPHIS

Estimates for Other Points on the Mississippi River.

Washington.—The weather bureau tonight issued a special flood bulletin announcing a crest stage of 62.1 on the Ohio river at Cincinnati. Night and serious flood warnings in various water sheds in Ohio, West Virginia and elsewhere. The bulletin follows:

"The Ohio river at Cincinnati reached crest stage of 62.1 feet Tuesday morning and is now falling slowly, the gauge tonight registering 61.9. At Louisville the stage was 35.8 feet, a rise of .7 foot since Monday night. Little or no further rise will occur and the river should begin to fall during Wednesday. No changes have been made in previous forecasts for the district below Louisville.

"In the lower Mississippi river stages as follows are indicated from the water now in sight: Memphis between 36 and 37 feet between March 26 and 28; Arkansas City, 46 feet by the last of next week; Vicksburg, 45 feet about April 3; New Orleans between 16.5 and 17 feet by March 28.

## ASSAULTS WOMAN KILLS BABE

Negro Brute Commits Horrible Crime at Fairmont, Ga.

Cartersville, Ga.—Mrs. Tolbert, wife of former Mayor Tolbert of Fairmont, was brutally assaulted and her two-month-old child was murdered by a negro at their home last evening. The negro, who approached the house when Mrs. Tolbert was alone with her child, demanded \$50. Being refused, he said he must have the money or her life. Then began a struggle, in which he followed her from room to room, until she escaped and ran to her husband's store, some distance away.

When she returned with a party the baby was found with its head nearly severed from its body and the negro was missing. A posse immediately set upon his trail. A negro, said to be the assailant, was located near Cartersville late today, and his capture is believed to be certain within a short time.

## TWO NEGRO WOMEN LYNCHED

In Arkansas for Using a Razor on a White Woman.

Stamps, Ark.—Two colored women were shot to death by a mob last night at McKamie, a village six miles south of here. The town has no jail, and the women had been locked up in the schoolhouse and a guard put in charge of the building. They were charged with using a razor with probably fatal effect on Mrs. Ella Rheton, a white woman, and her daughter, and kicking Mrs. Rheton's little son. It seems that the Rhetons met the colored women on a public road, and, according to Mrs. Rheton, the negroes shoved her out of the road and kicked the little boy. Mrs. Rheton told them to quit kicking the child, and they then attacked her and her daughter, beat her with razors. Mrs. Rheton claims she had never met the colored women before, and that they had no cause to attack her and children. The men guarding the prisoners in the schoolhouse made very little resistance to the lynchers, who soon overpowered them and then shot the women to death.

## WILL GO TO BROWNSVILLE

Senate Committee to Take Evidence in Texas Town.

Washington.—It has practically been settled that the senate committee on military affairs will go to Brownsville, Texas, in prosecuting the investigation into the shooting up of that town by ruffians, believed to have been negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth infantry. While no date has been fixed for the trip, it is understood that the committee will leave about the middle of April. The committee desires to personally inspect the situation there to get an idea of how the shots were fired on the night of Aug. 13 and to locate the houses which were fired into during the rioting. The testimony of eyewitnesses will also be taken.

## CONSCRIPTING MEN.

Fruit Companies in Central America Can't Get Laborers.

Mobile, Ala.—The steamer Mercator arrived here today from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, four days out and reports that within the past two weeks the Honduran government has conscripted 500 men at that place, and as a result the fruit ships have been unable to obtain small cargoes, and if the work of conscripting continues the companies will lose thousands of dollars. The officers report that a big detachment of men, numbering nearly a thousand, were sent inland.

When the Mercator left Puerto Cortez what men were left, aided by some women, were throwing up entrenchments to protect the place from a reported attack by the Nicaraguan navy. The breastworks were of the poorest kind of construction and the men who came on the vessel said that one solid shot would wreck the whole business.

## Skin Grafting Operation.

Annapolis, Md.—A successful operation of skin grafting was performed on the leg of Midshipman A. H. Douglass of Tennessee, captain of the navy football team for next season, at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, in Baltimore, and he has returned for duty at the naval academy. Douglass broke his leg in a game against Princeton over two years ago, and the unskillful setting of the splints caused a wound which has given him great trouble. It is now believed that a permanent cure has been effected.

## MAKING RESIGNATIONS ATTRACTIVE.



Texas Man—"There seems to be a lot of resigning and watching the other fellows fight for your job. Bailey says he knows about it."

New York Man—"Yes, and I'm on my way to tell Platt and Depew about it."

## STOCK GOING DOWN SUIT AGAINST HARGISES

WEDNESDAY'S SLUMP IN WALL STREET CONTINUES.

### GG BULLS ARE HIT FOR MILLIONS

Market Opened Thursday Extremely Weak and Action From Washington Is Looked For.

New York, March 14.—Notwithstanding the low points hit as a result of Wednesday's slump in the stock market—and the points were the lowest since the panic of May 9, 1901—there was no great excitement in the street early Thursday.

Hard blows were struck Wednesday, but it is the big fellows who were punched, some of the most active speculative interests and some of the leading figures in the banking world.

Walls were not to be expected from those quarters and the bleeding lambs had most all been shaken out of the market before Wednesday's session.

By 10:35 the market had developed extreme weakness. Reading fell 2% from high figures. Northern Pacific, 2%; Union Pacific, 3 and other losses in proportion.

The declines were in part attributed to fresh selling orders for foreign account, and the execution of sales in default of response to remargin calls sent out Wednesday night.

It is believed the market will be somewhat shaky for several days to come.

It is known that the federal government is keeping a close eye on the ticker and there is a general belief in the street that some important action from Washington can be expected in event of further unsettled conditions.

### Two Killed in Arkansas Wreck.

Little Rock, Ark., March 16.—An eastbound Rock Island passenger train ran into an open switch and was wrecked at Cuneo, three miles west of Little. Engineer Killcoyne and Fireman Currier, Arkansas, were killed and two mail clerks, an express messenger, the porter and four negro dining car waiters were injured. An investigation disclosed that the wreck was the work of a train wrecker. None of the passengers was injured.

### Louisville Strike Ended.

Louisville, Ky., March 15.—By a unanimous vote the 800 striking union employees of the Louisville Railroad Co. decided to accept the terms agreed upon by their executive committee and the officers of the company. All the strikers will go back to work and full service in the city and suburban lines operated by the company will be resumed today.

### Killed Sweetheart and Self.

New Orleans, March 16.—Accosting Miss Dade Dobson, his 17-year-old sweetheart, on the main street of Pointe-a-La-Hache, La., Whitney Molero, a young planter, asked her to marry him, and, upon being refused, shot and killed the girl. He then shot himself and fell dead over her body.

### Fire and Death in Missouri Town.

Birch Tree, Mo., March 16.—A block of business houses in ruins and a little child burned to death is the result of a fire started by children playing with matches in the warehouse of Overcast's store. A 3-year-old boy of Mrs. Lee Overcast was burned to death.

### Guards Stationed Near Reef.

San Francisco, March 16.—Four guards detailed to assist Elmer Bigley in guarding Abraham Ruef have been given quarters in the room adjoining that which the prisoner occupies.

### Former Mayor Dies.

Red Bud, Ill., March 16.—John H. Meyer, ex-mayor, 79 years old, died here.

## THEY WON'T GO

RAILWAY PRESIDENTS NOT TO VISIT CHIEF EXECUTIVE.

### LACKING THE PROPER MANDATE

Thomas F. Ryan Believes Visit, Followed by Others, Would Do Much Good.

New York, March 16.—Messrs. McCrea, Mellen, Hughitt and Newman, the four railroad presidents for whose visit to the White House J. Pierpont Morgan arranged before his departure for Europe, held a conference here Friday. The whole situation was canvassed with great care and it was finally decided not to go to Washington.

It is understood the reason for this conclusion was that the railroad officials did not feel they had any proper mandate from the railroad corporations to represent them. They felt that they could not assume the position of a self-constituted commission to formulate or present the views of the hundreds of railroad companies which, in turn, are owned by thousands of shareholders. They recognized that the railroad managers of the United States are not themselves in perfect accord, and that until some method could be adopted for securing a consensus of opinion, a visit to the president would be idle. At the conclusion of the conference the four presidents left for their homes.

### Thinks Visit Would Do Good.

Thomas F. Ryan, when asked his opinion about the proposed meeting of the president and the heads of the great railroads, said:

"I believe, if Mr. Morgan's visit to the president is followed up as it should be by all of our great business interests, it will do much good."

"I also believe that the president's attitude toward corporations is much misunderstood by the general public. It is unfair to assume that it is his desire to hamper the business interests of the country. I am, however, convinced that he purposes to enforce the laws as he finds them upon the statute books, and I think the sooner the business interests of the country conclude to go to work to aid the president in solving the difficult problems that confront him every day, the sooner confidence will be restored and the business of the country move on without interruption. So far as general business is concerned, the only fault to be found with it is that it is too active."

### Were Not Invited.

Washington, March 16.—President Roosevelt has received no word from the four railroad presidents, who were suggested by J. Pierpont Morgan on the eve of his departure for Europe as conferees to discuss with the president the railroad situation, and to urge Mr. Roosevelt to take some action to "allay the public anxiety" to the administration's attitude. The president will not invite Messrs. McCrea, Hughitt, Newman and Mellen to the White House, but if they ask for an appointment, the president will be glad to receive them.

### Gov. Deneen to Visit President.

Gov. Deneen and Atty. Gen. Stead of Illinois, who were invited to Washington by President Roosevelt, have arrived and will call at the White House. While Gov. Deneen refuses to discuss the object of his conference with the president, it can authoritatively be stated that the Chicago & Alton deal and other disclosures brought out at the recent Harriman investigation will be discussed and the situation in general will be gone over.

### JAPS SWARMING INTO TEXAS.

They Are Replacing Mexicans as House Servants.

El Paso, Tex., March 16.—So great has been the influx of Japanese through this port that hundreds have stopped in El Paso, readily securing employment as house servants, displacing Mexican help. The result is that the Mexican authorities are taking cognizance of the matter and protection looking to the abatement of immigration unless the new amendment to the United States immigration law brings relief. An immigrant inspector stated that every vessel from the continent and the Hawaiian islands arriving at Manzanillo, Mex., brought from 500 to 1,500 Japanese, and that since Mexico had facilitated the entry into this country it was not a matter of much surprise that they should suffer inconvenience.

### TWO DROWN IN SCIOTO RIVER.

Piledriver and Engine on B. & S. W. Breaks Through Levee.

Chillicothe, O., March 16.—A piledriver and engine on the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern railway went through the levee here into the Scioto river Friday night. Seven men were on the piledriver and three on the engine. Eight of these were rescued. Brakeman John Long, Olney, Ill., and Thos. Wheeler of this place were drowned.

### Date Fixed for G. A. R. Encampment.

Toledo, O., March 16.—J. Cory Winans, chief of staff of the National Grand Army of the Republic, has received notification from the citizens' committee at Saratoga, N. Y., fixing the date of the National G. A. R. encampment for the week of Sept. 9. Mr. Winans wired acceptance.

## CONDENSED NEWS BRIEFS.

Cotton receipts for season at Galveston exceed 2,000,000 bales, 40 per cent of shipments.

Garfield to thoroughly inspect Indian affairs, forest reserves and coal lands. Inspection to begin June 1.

Roosevelt boosts waterway plan. Commission headed by Burton to examine rivers and report feasibility of plan.

Double tracks for Missouri and Arkansas included in improvements on Missouri Pacific to cost \$100,000,000.

Many Iowa weddings declared to be illegal because of ministers' failure to return certificate part of license. Newly-weds and preachers aroused.

Bartholdt, of Missouri, submits interparliamentary union plan of arbitration to president. Will be submitted to Hague conference.

Belleville young widow, jilted, attempted to end her life with acid, gasoline and razor, overlooking revolver. Legal battle over estate of brother of "Spithouse" Richardson is to cease after lasting 17 years.

Crest of flood is expected at Cincinnati today. Damage by high water far exceeds January overflow.

Gov. Folk will issue call Wednesday for special session of Missouri legislature to convene April 2.

E. H. Gary succeeds Geo. W. Perkins as chairman of United States Steel corporation. Close relation between firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. and company reason assigned for change. St. Paul management has determined to suspend all work of improvement, including second track.

Clash between members of senate committee shows Foraker is gathering Brownsville evidence at his own expense.

Prohibition and excise bills killed in Missouri legislature.

Prof. Ross of Wisconsin declares birth restriction to be hope of race.

Commerce commission has plan for supervision of railway finances. Mergers may be legalized. Lines exempt from anti-trust law in order to expand.

Annual report of the Illinois railroad and warehouse commission recommends conservative action in reduction of passenger rates for the steam lines because of the trolley inroads on traffic.

Robbers seek to wreck Burlington train carrying \$180,000 in bullion at Plano river bridge in Illinois.

Coopers in convention at St. Louis would compel railroads to move cars 150 miles in 24 hours. Penalty for disregard of law.

Spring buying about over, except in Missouri and Arkansas merchants.

Horace L. Dyer, assistant United States district attorney, St. Louis, signs.

Resolution introduced in Wisconsin senate to begin balloting for Speaker's successor on March 19.

Iowa senate and house voted to postpone consideration of primary bill until next week.

Columbus (O.) city officials and others indicted for bribery in connection with favoring contract.

Former Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock testified that Senator Mitchell, convicted of land fraud, tried to shield commissioneer Binger Hermann.

Chicago school teachers have a lobby at Springfield to work for amendments to the teachers' pension law.

The French premier was upheld by the chamber of deputies for threat to use troops to suppress strike disorders. The republicans regained control of Portland, Me., at the municipal election. In Biddeford the republican candidate was elected mayor by 7 votes. The democrats secured the remainder of the ticket.

Gov. Gillette of California has made public his correspondence with President Roosevelt on the Japanese question and the California legislature. The governor expresses the opinion that there will be no legislation on that line by the legislature this session.

Secretary Taft defends Judge Wiley of Shanghai court from attack. Secret service men believe missing sub-treasury money at Chicago was probably "borrowed" by a tottering bank.

## THE MARKETS.

### Livestock Markets.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Fancy native steers, \$6.15@6.75; good to choice steers, \$5.25@6.10; choice to fancy heifers, \$4.75@5.25; choice to fancy cows, \$4.25@4.75; veal calves, \$3.00@7.50. Hogs—Top, \$7.00; bulk of sales, \$6.32½@6.97½; heavy, \$6.95@7.00; packers, \$6.95@7.00; pigs and lights, \$5.80@6.90. Sheep—Native lambs, \$7.25; native sheep, \$5.50@5.75. CHICAGO—Cattle—Plain to best steers, \$4.25@6.85; heifers, \$2.65@5.25; cows, \$3.25@5.00; calves, \$2.50@7.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@5.25. Hogs—Choice heavy shipping, \$7.00@7.05; light butchers, \$7.00@7.02½; light mixed, \$6.95@7.00; packing, \$6.50@7.00; pigs, \$4.50@6.80; bulk of sales, \$6.95@7.00. Sheep—Sheep, \$5.00@6.25; lambs, \$7.15@7.85.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Choice export and dressed beef steers, \$5.40@6.40; fair to good, 4.50@5.30; native cows, \$2.25@4.60; native heifers, \$3.50@5.40; calves, \$3.25@7.00. Hogs—Top, \$6.85; bulk, \$6.75@6.82½; heavy, \$6.80@6.85; packers, \$6.75@6.82½. Sheep—Lambs, \$7.25@7.60; ewes and yearlings, \$5.00@6.85.

### Grain Markets.

ST. LOUIS—Wheat—No. 2 red 77½¢ @78¢; Corn—No. 2 white, 46¼¢ @46½¢; Oats—No. 2 white, 44¢ @44½¢. CHICAGO—Wheat—No. 2 red, 74½¢ @75¢; Corn—No. 2, 45¢. Oats—No. 2 white, 43¼¢ @43¢. INDIANAPOLIS—Wheat—No. 2 red, 76¢ @76½¢; No. 2 red, 73¢.